

### Abstract

A surgical hollow probe for minimally invasive tissue removal comprising an elongate hollow body, an opening in the region of the distal end of the hollow body and an opening in the region of the proximal end of the hollow body for respectively receiving and delivering tissue, and  
5 comprising an electrically conductive ring-shaped or loop-shaped cutting element which can be extended from the hollow body and which can be applied to an HF-voltage source, for cutting out tissue in the area around the distal opening of the hollow body.

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